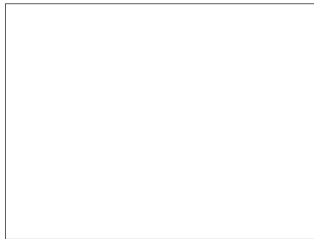


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MEMORANDUM FOR:



FROM:

Legislation Division
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SUBJECT: Comprehensive Immigration Reform Legislation:
House Passage

1. On October 9, 1986, the House passed a compromise version of H.R. 3810, the comprehensive immigration reform legislation. (In fact, the House adopted an amendment in the nature of a substitute, H.R. 5665, the compromise which had been hammered out by the parties in the two weeks since the bill was first defeated.) A copy of the bill as passed is attached for your information.

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3. Nothing was done by the House in its passage of the bill to change these: AG authorization retained - Section 101 (a) adding Section 274A (g) (2) to the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA); non-discrimination exception retained - Section 101 (b) adding Section 274B (a) (2) (C) to the INA; and both legalization time periods retained - Section 201 (a) adding Section 245A (a) (1) (A) to the INA.

4. The bill has gone to a House-Senate conference which is currently meeting. The House's action in taking up and passing the bill after it appeared to have "died" two weeks ago was unusual and caused its proponents to become optimistic about its prospects in conference. It should be remembered, however, that several contentious issues remain (including the "farm worker" issue - Section 305 of the bill) and that two years ago, it was the failure of a similar conference that "killed" the bill then.

5. We will keep you advised of the bill's progress

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